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JUNE 1, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

The City Council did not approve the second reading of Emergency Ordinance 1414. This emergency ordinance is similar to Ordinance 1413. The proposed ordinance which was not adopted would allow for 50% occupancy of businesses that had restrictions with Emergency Ordinance 1413, encourage the use of face masks when social distancing can't be maintained, have a maximum duration of 60 days, and be reviewed at each City Council meeting. There are currently no restrictions in place. The City Council did direct staff to work with businesses to develop a resolution for consideration which would contain many of the same guidelines as existed in the proposed ordinance. The City Council approved the opening of park shelters, scheduling of baseball and softball games, park and golf course restrooms. The City Council did not approve the opening of playgrounds and basketball courts

Four applications for the vacant Central Ward City Council seat were received. Lindsey Jennewein was appointed by the City Council to serve as a Central ward Council member. The term of appointment is until July 2021. An election for the final three years of this term will take place on June 1, 2021.

Proclamations recognizing June as LGBTQ month and Vermillion as a Community of Tolerance and Peace were read.

The annual review of malt beverage and South Dakota Farm wine licenses was conducted. All of the presented licenses were renewed by the City Council and now go to the State for issuance consideration.

A special assessment roll for the installation of street lights along W. Main St west of Stanford St was approved.

An amendment to the consulting agreement with SEH for the final report on the SD Highway 50 drainage improvement project was approved. A \$25,000 grant from the Vermillion Basin Water District to defray some of the project study costs was recognized. Thanks to the Water District for their support of the project.

The final plat of McHenry Street right-of-way going west from Princeton St approximately 390 feet was approved.

Thirty-eight bicycles were declared as surplus to be sold at auction later this year.

Bids for a miscellaneous concrete project and the airport taxi lane improvement project were approved.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The Historic Preservation Commission is meeting on Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at 9:00 am.

There are openings on two City Boards or Commissions. Interested residents are asked to check the City's website for more information. All applicants are asked to complete an Expression of Interest (EOI) form.

- Vermillion Housing Authority – One 5-year, EOI due Thursday, June 11 by 5pm
- Planning and Zoning Commission – Five 5-year terms, EOI due Wednesday, July 1 by 5pm

Please take 10 minutes to complete the 2020 Census. You Count in Vermillion.

The consultant for the Streetscape project will have a public meeting on Tuesday, June 9 at 7:00 pm. The Zoom link and additional information is available on the City's website under the latest headline tab.

The request from the University Police Department for the temporary street closings of Plum Street and Rose Street for the August Move-in Days which was tabled at the May 18th meeting until the June 1 meeting has again been tabled. USD contacted the City last Friday requesting additional time. USD will be refining their move-in day and submit a new street closing request as needed in the future.

Kelsey Collier-Wise, Mayor